FISCAL NOTE

HB 2959 - SB 3206

February 24, 2008

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires the Department of Correction (DOC) to develop a multi-agency plan to enhance the successful reentry of nonviolent offenders into the community. Authorizes DOC to enter into an agreement with a maximum of three counties and to provide funding to the Board of Probation and Parole (BOPP) to carry out the assessment.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$137,800

Assumptions:

- According to the DOC, one Correctional Counselor Two position would be required at each of the three counties to develop the required plan. Recurring expenditures of \$137,763 reflect salaries for three additional positions (\$28,700 x 3 = \$86,100) plus benefits (\$10,421 x 3 = \$31,263) and \$20,400 for travel expenses, printing, supplies, training and other related operational expenses.
- Currently BOPP requires release plans for offenders granted parole and performs a risk assessment as part of the parole decision-making process. Once parolees are released and begin community supervision, a risk/needs assessment is performed to determine the services the individual will require.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director